

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON GREAT LAKES AND ENVIRONMENT

Wednesday, August 22, 2007

12:00 p.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

Representative Warren, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Warren, Donigan, Ebli, Griffin, Kathleen Law, Leland, Meadows, Miller, Valentine, Robertson, Moolenaar, Walker and Meekhof.

Representative Miller moved to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2007 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HCR 40 and HR 172 before the committee.

HCR 40	Sak	A concurrent resolution to oppose the proposed increase in materials discharged into Lake Michigan by British Petroleum at Whiting, Indiana.
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HR 172	Valentine	A resolution to urge the Congress of the United States and the United States Environmental Protection Agency to address the recent approval of increased pollution by British Petroleum into the Great Lakes.
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Representatives Sak* and Valentine testified in support of HCR 40 and HR 172.

Mike Shriberg, representing Environment Michigan, testified in support of HCR 40 and HR 172.

John Griffin, representing the Associated Petroleum Industries of Michigan, testified and stated a neutral position on HCR 40 and HR 172.*

Patrick Schuh, representing the Clean Water Action, testified in support of HCR 40 and HR 172.

James Clift, representing the Michigan Environmental Council, testified in support of HCR 40 and HR 172.

Representative Robertson moved to excuse absent members.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Palmer and Emmons.

The committee went at ease at 12:49 p.m.

The committee reconvened at 12:53 p.m.

Representative Miller moved to report out HR 172 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 11-0-2.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Warren, Donigan, Ebli, Kathleen Law, Leland, Meadows, Miller, Valentine, Moolenaar, Walker and Meekhof,

Nays: None,

Pass: Representatives Griffin and Robertson.

HR 172 reported out with recommendation.

Representative Meadows moved to report out HCR 40 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 11-0-2.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Warren, Donigan, Ebli, Kathleen Law, Leland, Meadows, Miller, Valentine, Moolenaar, Walker and Meekhof,

Nays: None,

Pass: Representatives Griffin and Robertson.

HCR 40 reported out with recommendation.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:55 p.m.

Representative Rebekah Warren, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
August 22, 2007
55 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicates written materials attached to report out file.